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NOMINATIONS OPEN FOR AWARDS PROGRAM

Women's Commission seeks nominations for outstanding individuals for 30th annual event

The Lincoln-Lancaster Women's Commission (LLWC) seeks nominations for its International Women's Day annual awards luncheon, "Weaving Women's Voices," to honor four individuals who have promoted opportunities for women through professional and/or personal efforts and made an impact on women's issues.

Nominations will be accepted from <u>Friday, September 1</u> through 4 p.m. on <u>Wednesday, November 15, 2006.</u> Nomination forms can be mailed upon request, picked up at the LLWC office, 440 S. 8th St., Ste. 100, between 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, or downloaded from the Women's Commission Web site located at: <u>www.lincoln.ne.gov/city/mayor/women/index.</u>

Categories are:

- The **Alice Paul Award** is presented to a woman whose life's work reflects her dedication to the struggle for equality.
- The Woman Artist Written Word Award, accompanied by a \$250 stipend, is presented to a woman in Lincoln and Lancaster County to recognize and encourage local women in the arts
- The Erasmus Correll Award is presented to a man whose efforts in the community have significantly contributed to the welfare and advancement of women, helping in the struggle for equity for all.
- The **Sojourner Truth Award** is presented to an woman, ages 25-40, who through her actions or deeds, has enhanced the quality of life for girls or women in the community..

The Lincoln-Lancaster Women's Commission, along with Friends of the Commission, will host the awards luncheon program on Wednesday, March 7, 2007 at the Cornhusker Marriott Hotel in recognition of International Women's Day. The theme, "Weaving Women's Voices," will feature a special reunion of all previous winners from the past three decades. For more information, contact the Lincoln-Lancaster Women's Commission, 441-7716.

The Lincoln-Lancaster Women's Commission (LLWC) is a City/County agency housed in the Office of the Mayor. Taxpayer funded, LLWC's budget represents 5/100th of one percent of the County Budget and 6/100th of one percent of the City Budget - about 70 cents per person per year.

When you strengthen women, you strengthen families.